Efficient and Effective Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Techniques

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Topic Overview

- What is Vapor Intrusion?
- Efficient / Effective Mitigation
 - Investigating the problem
 - Designing a system
 - Installing a system
 - Monitoring a system
- Case Study
- How we can help





What is Vapor Intrusion?

- Upward migration of soil gases into buildings
- Contaminants can include:
 - Volatile organic compounds (VOCs)
 - Inorganics (i.e., mercury, hydrogen sulfide, etc.)
 - Methane
 - Radon



Mitigation Basics

- Designed to:
 - Create negative pressure below slab
 - Run continually
 - Achieve mandated vacuum requirements
 - Function under max load conditions
- Required to:
 - Meet sub slab vacuum standards
 - Conduct routine onsite inspections





Step 1: Investigate the Problem

Plume delineation...





... Using a mobile lab

Plume Delineation

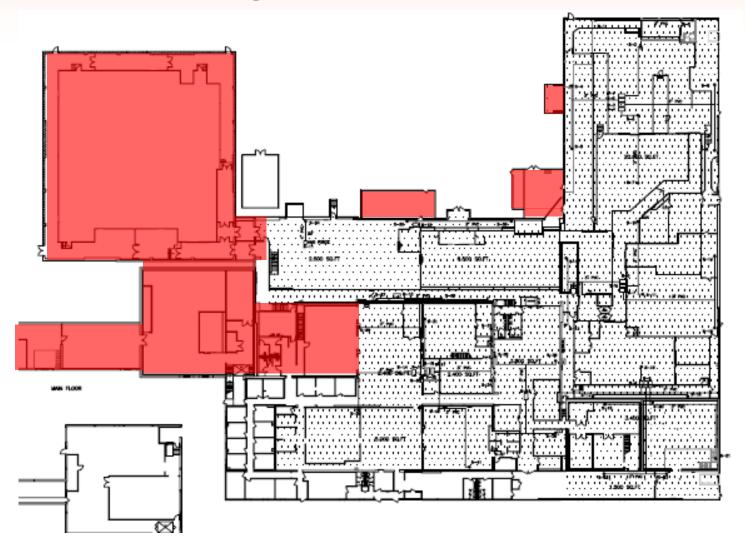
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Plume Delineation

For Industrial Buildings...



Step 2: Designing a System

Using precision diagnostics to map permeability...



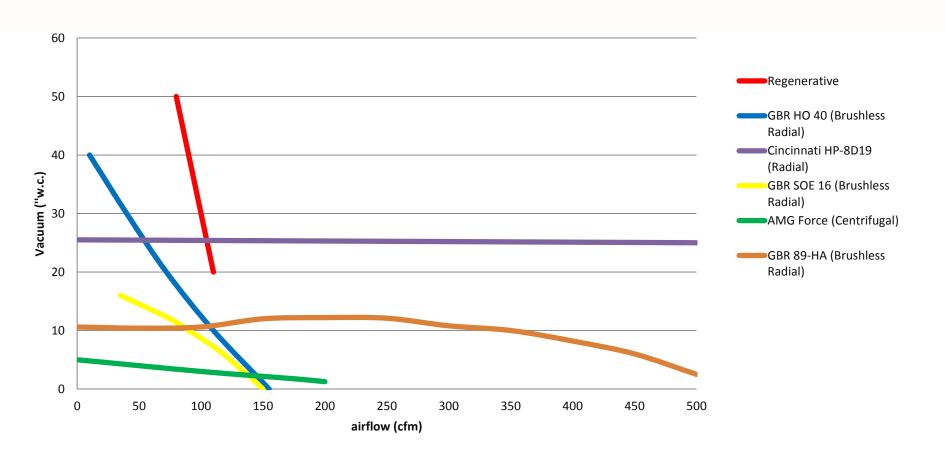




Step 2: Designing a System



Blower Sizing



Blower Types





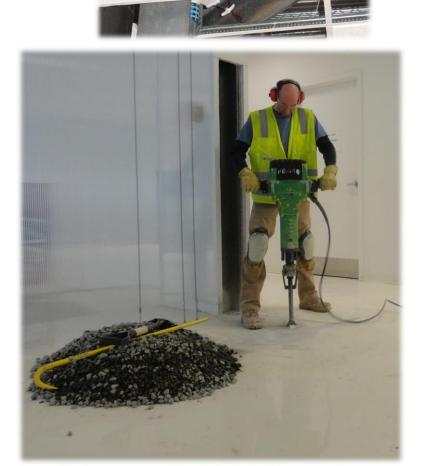




Step 3: Installing a System

- Use existing building features
- Hide system components
- Check pipe pitches
- Suction pit clean out
- Check building use groups





Step 4: Monitoring a System

- Some States have requirements
 - Quarterly for the first year
 - Annually
 - Etc.
- We recommend:
 - Remote monitoring
 - Automated Alerts
 - Automated Reporting





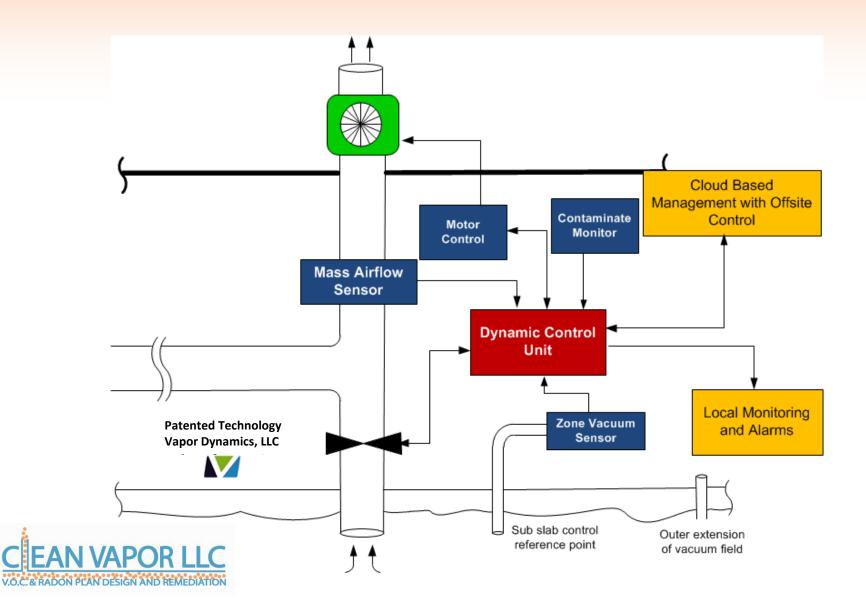
Vapor Guardian 5500

- Dynamically control 10 blower systems
- Control of sub slab vacuum
- Assign functional priority
- Monitor up to 55 inputs
- Fault notifications
- Automated reporting





Vapor Guardian 5500 Logic



Vapor Guardian 600

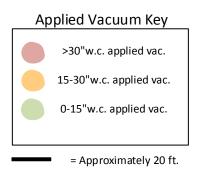
- Monitor up to 6 inputs
- Ideal for:
 - Individual residences
 - Multi-family housing
 - Small buildings
- Mobile fault notifications
- Automated reporting





Case Study – The Overview

- Former Sears Complex
- Atlanta, GA
- 700,000 sq. ft.







Case Study – The Details

- 2,100 sq. ft. trenching
- 19 vertical suction points
- 1 activated carbon unit
- 6 radial blowers





Case Study – The Photos







Case Study – The Results



Case Study — The Technology

- Vapor Guardian 5500
- Monitors
 - Sub slab vacuum
 - Riser vacuum
 - Power consumption
 - Water level in knock out tank





Case Study – The Savings

- \$3,300.00 in power consumption
- 18,000 KwH
- 55,000 lbs. CO₂



Case Study – The Reporting



Building Owner



Quarterly OM&M Report July - September 2014 For: Former Sears Complex Georgia



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Recap - Steps to Efficient Mitigation

1. Investigate



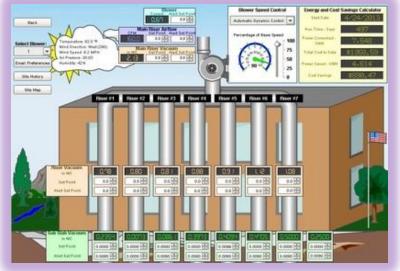
3. Install



2. Design



4. Monitor



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